

General Graham:

In the Director's Daily Journal you had
a question about an item which
had sent to the Director. The paper is attached.

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I cannot explain why the paper is dated
23 April and it only appeared in the Daily Journal
yesterday.

Wanda



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INFORMAL TO THE DIRECTOR

As you are aware, Mr. Ash sees himself as having a much stronger role in the Administration's economic planning. His offer the other day to assist in developing appropriate economic perspectives for intelligence support purposes derive from his own perception of a new and stronger role.

Since that time, OMB (Bridgewater's office) has been pressing for informal meetings with IC Staff to discuss what the Community is doing in the economic field, e.g., the upcoming report to the IRAC from the [redacted] [redacted] the upcoming economic "plan" which will be your response to PFIAB's request of last year, and a search of the publications put out in the economic field which the Staff feels might be useful to them in being responsive to Mr. Ash.

I have been forthcoming in informal discussions on the content of these documents but I have noted that as Mr. Ash gets more involved in the international economic role, he becomes a customer and should probably be served by the Economic NIO.

Ash is on the distribution of key OER documents. I have not agreed to release the reports for IRAC and PFIAB before you or IRAC review them. If this course of action is inappropriate in any way, please advise.

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